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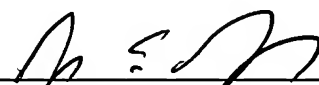
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Responsive to the action mailed October 5, 2006, applicant elects the invention of Species I directed towards Figs. 1-11 which read on claims 1-17, 19-49, 51-86 and 89-101. The election is made without traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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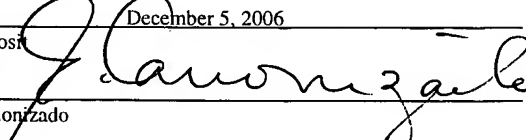


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